



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Chief Deputy Director of Community and Senior Services

At its meeting held December 7, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

The Chief Deputy Director of Community and Senior Services' recommendation to approve and authorize the Chief Deputy to accept the 2005 Program Year Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding from the State Department of Community Services and Development in estimated amount of \$6,554,321; approve the agencies' recommended funding levels, totaling \$4,895,930 for the provision of community services under the CSBG program to the impoverished population of the County; and authorize the Chief Deputy to take the following related actions:

Execute the State Standard Agreement for the 2005 Program Year CSBG funding and any required time extensions, modifications and/or amendments, and accept additions to or reductions in CSBG funding, up to 25% of the anticipated grant award;

Execute contracts with various agencies in total amount of \$4,895,930, fully financed using CSBG funds, to continue to provide CSBG services to low-income residents in all Supervisorial Districts who are at or below the Federally established poverty level with access to a broad array of services in employment, education, health, housing, nutrition, linkages and emergency services, and avoid any interruption in services, effective upon Board approval or January 1, 2005, whichever date is later, through December 31, 2005, and to execute any required time extensions to the contracts to ensure the full expenditure of program funds by the agencies; and

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Execute amendments to contracts with various agencies to increase or decrease contract amounts based on contractor performance and availability of funding provided that the amount of change does not exceed 25% of the original contract amount.

Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program provides funding to agencies that assist families with housing, employment, education, shelter and other programs. In the Antelope Valley, due to the record low temperature, many families and individuals are in need of shelter during the cold winter months. The Lancaster shelter is the only agency in Antelope Valley that provides emergency beds for the homeless but was forced to turn people away when the shelter reached its capacity. The United Way estimates that 4,000 homeless people are living in the Antelope Valley. As such, it is imperative to develop an alternative plan to help provide assistance to the homeless population during the cold winter months.”

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Adopted the Chief Deputy Director of Community and Senior Services' attached recommendations; and
2. Directed the Chief Deputy Director of Community and Senior Services to set aside \$20,000.00 previously allocated to another agency who voluntarily withdrew from the CSBG program and hold the funds in abeyance until another agency is identified to help provide services to the homeless in the Antelope Valley.

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Attachment

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